

Triliteral Verbs with Increase letters

22. What is a singular triliteral verb?

23. What is a triliteral verb with increase letters?

24. How many forms does a triliteral verb with one increase letter have?

25. How many forms does a triliteral verb with two increase letters have?

26. How many forms does a triliteral verb with three increase letters have?

27. How many forms of triliteral verbs with increase letters are there?

28. Are all the forms of triliteral verbs with increase letters applied to all triliteral verbs?

22. A singular triliteral verb is a triliteral verb that only has its root letters, without any increase letters. For example **عَرَفَ** (he knew).

23. A triliteral verb with increase letters is a triliteral verb that has added letters to its root:

- Either one added letter: for example: **أَكْرَمَ** (he honored).
- Or two added letters: for example: **إِنطَلَقَ** (he was set free).
- Or three added letters: for example: **إِسْتغْفَرَ** (he asked for forgiveness).

24. There are three forms of triliteral verbs that have one increase letter:

- **فَعَّلَ** This is form II. Here the second root letter is doubled. For example: **خَبَّرَ** (he notified)
- **فَاعَلَ** This is form III. Here an *alif* is added to the root. For example: **خَابَرَ** (he negotiated)
- **أَفْعَلَ** This is form IV. Here a glottal stop is added to the beginning of the root. For example: **أَخْبَرَ** (he notified)

25. There are five forms of trilateral verbs that have two increase letters:

- **تَفَعَّلَ** This is form V. Here a *tʕ*' is added and the second root letter is doubled. For example: **تَقَبَّلَ** (he accepted)
- **تَفَاعَلَ** This is form VI. Here a *tʕ*' and an *alif* are added. For example **تَقَابَلَ** (he met)
- **إِنْفَعَلَ** This is form VII. Here a glottal stop and a *nʕn* are added. For example: **إِنْقَبَلَ** (it was accepted)
- **إِنْفَعَلَ** This is form VIII. Here a glottal stop and a *tʕ*' are added. For example: **إِنْتَبَلَ** (he received)
- **إِفْعَلَ** This is form IX. Here a glottal stop is added and the last root letter is doubled. For example: **أَحْمَرَ** (he become red)

26. There are two forms of trilateral verbs that have two increase letters:

- **إِسْتَفْعَلَ** This is form X. Here a glottal stop, *sʕn* and *tʕ*' are added. For example: **إِسْتَعْفَرَ** (he asked for forgiveness)
- **إِفْعَوَعَلَ** This is form XII2. Here a glottal stop and a *wʕw* are added along with another second root letter. For example: **أَحْدَوَدَبَ** (It was bent outward)

27. There are ten forms of trilateral verbs with increase letters.³

28. No, in order to know which forms are applied to which verbs one must refer to dictionaries. For example form IV and XII are not applied to the verb **فَتَحَ**

1. The number of the forms is according to the Hans Wehr dictionary. They can be found on page 13 of the introduction of the compact version of the internationally recognized fourth edition.

2. Form XI is not mentioned in this book

3. Mentioned in this book, for there are more than that.

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